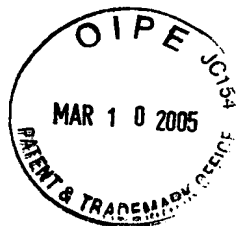DOCKET NO.: MSFT-2522/304105.02 (formerly 068167.0108)
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In response to the Official Action dated **July 9, 2004**, and the Notice of Appeal filed **January 10, 2005**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page   of this paper.

☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page   of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

☒ **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.